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Expansion of Postal Network
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the expansion of postal network and delay in setting up of post offices in the country;

(b) if so, the details and findings thereof;

(c) the details of proposals pending for approval alongwith the approved number of post offices facing delay in their setting up, State-wise; and

(d) the action taken by the Government to expedite the process of setting up of new post offices?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS &
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) Review of expansion of postal network is an on-going process. If found justified, as per laid down norms, post offices are opened on the basis of relocation & redeployment under Plan Scheme. New post offices are opened against plan targets in a given financial year, and there is no delay in opening of post offices.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) State/UT-wise number of proposals received during current financial year 2016-17 (upto 07.11.2016) for opening of new post offices, proposals pending for approval and proposals approved for opening of new post offices but facing delay in opening are at Annexure.

(d) New post offices are opened after following the prescribed norms and procedures against plan target within the financial year.

ANNEXURE

State/UT-wise status of proposals received for opening of new Post Offices during current financial year 2016-17 (upto 07.11.2016)
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Sl. No. States/ UTs Total Number of Proposals received No. of Proposals under process/ pending No. of Proposals approved but facing delay in opening of Post Offices (*)
(1) (2) (3)(#) (4) (5)
1 Andhra Pradesh 8 3 2
2 Assam 1 1 0
3 Bihar 6 3 0
4 Chhattisgarh 13 0 0
5 Delhi 16 13 1
6 Gujarat 5 0 1
6.1 Dadar, Nagar & Haveli 0 0 0
6.2 Daman & Diu 0 0 0
7 Haryana 21 15 0
8 Himachal Pradesh 22 20 0
9 Jammu & Kashmir 6 4 0
10 Jharkhand 8 8 0
11 Karnataka 16 10 1
12 Kerala 1 0 0
12.1 Lakshadweep 0 0 0
13 Madhya Pradesh 7 2 0
14 Maharashtra 11 4 0
14.1 Goa 0 0 0
15 North East:
15.1 Arunachal Pradesh 0 0 0
15.2 Meghalaya 0 0 0
15.3 Mizoram 0 0 0

15.4 Manipur 1 1 0
15.5 Nagaland 1 0 0
15.6 Tripura 0 0 0
16 Odisha 11 5 0
17 Punjab 17 16 0
17.1 Chandigarh 1 1 0
18 Rajasthan 15 1 0
19 Tamil Nadu 15 10 0
19.1 Puducherry 0 0 0
20 Telangana 12 7 0
21 Uttar Pradesh 32 15 0
22 Uttarakhand 9 0 0
23 West Bengal 4 4 0
23.1 Sikkim 0 0 0
23.2 Andaman & Nicobar Islands 0 0 0
Total 259
143
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(*) Opening of new Post Offices are delayed due to non availability of suitable accommodations.

(#) Differences in the number of proposals between [3-(4+5)] reflects proposals which are either accepted and implemented or not found justified.

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